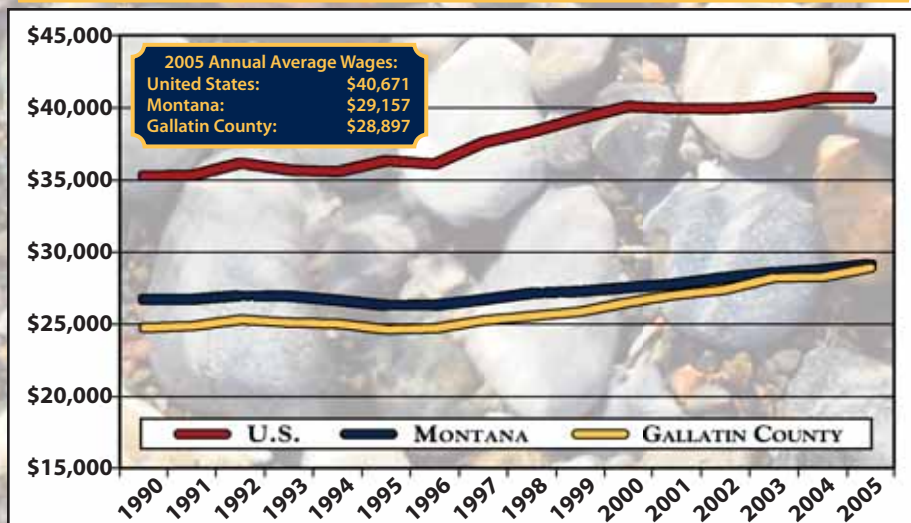


Annual Average Labor Force - Gallatin County

Year	Civilian Labor Force	Employed	Unemployed	Unemployment Rate
2005	47,032	45,704	1,328	2.8%
2004	44,971	43,522	1,449	3.2%
2003	42,881	41,445	1,436	3.3%
2002	41,977	40,542	1,435	3.4%
2001	42,107	40,712	1,395	3.3%
2000	41,446	39,922	1,524	3.7%

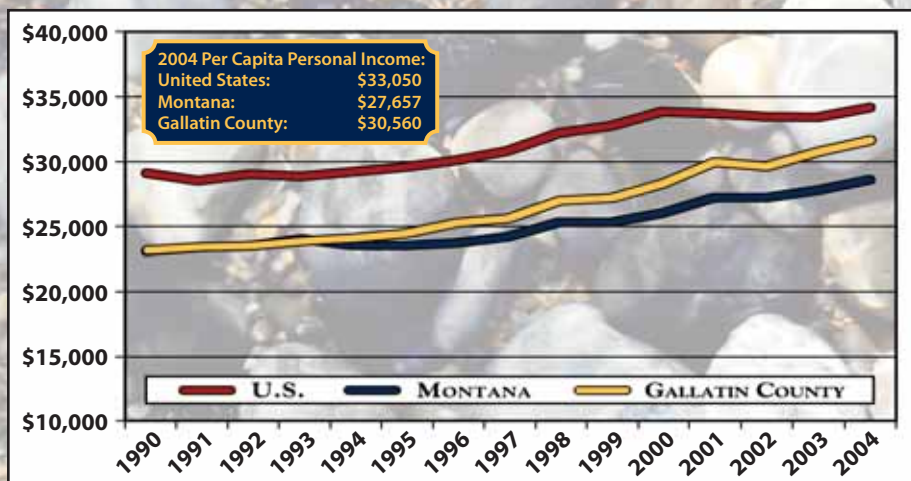
Source: Montana Department of Labor & Industry, Local Area Unemployment Statistics Program (LAUS)

Annual Average Wages, 1990 to 2005 (In 2005 Dollars)



Source: Montana Department of Labor & Industry, Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages Program (QCEW)

Per Capita Personal Income, 1990 to 2004 (In 2005 Dollars)



Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis, U.S. Department of Commerce, Regional Economic Information System

Demographic & Economic Information for Gallatin County



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GALLATIN COUNTY

Located in the Rocky Mountains, Gallatin County is one of Montana's most popular tourist destinations. It serves as an entrance to Yellowstone Park, boasts two world-class ski resorts, blue ribbon trout streams, and the Museum of the Rockies.

Gallatin County is Montana's fastest growing county, boasting a 14.5% growth rate from 2000 to 2005. It is the state's fifth most populous county, with an estimated 78,210 residents in 2005. Bozeman, the county seat, is the state's fourth largest city, with a population estimated at 33,535 in 2005.¹ Other cities and towns in Gallatin County include: Amsterdam-Churchill, Belgrade, Big Sky, Four Corners, Manhattan, Three Forks, West Yellowstone, and Willow Creek.

Gallatin County's economy is relatively diverse, with construction, government, manufacturing, technology, retail, service, and agriculture all playing significant roles.² Montana State University is the area's largest employer, with 2,938 permanent faculty and staff, 549 graduate teaching and research assistants, and over 2,000 students in part-time jobs. MSU's 12,338 enrolled students (Fall 2006) have a significant impact on the county's economy.³

Retail Trade is the number one industry subsector in Gallatin County, employing 6,711 people in 2005. Other significant subsectors include Accommodation & Food Services (5,778), Educational Services (5,412), and Construction (5,157). In 2005, the fastest growing subsectors of Gallatin County's economy included Mining (up 94.7% from 2004), Construction (up 18.4%), and Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services (up 15.2%).⁴

¹U.S. Census Bureau, Population Estimates Program

²Gallatin Development Corporation's 2005 Economic Profile of Gallatin County, Montana.
www.bozeman.org/gdc/upload/Economic%20Profiles/Economic%20Profile%202005.pdf

³Montana State University website. www.montana.edu/opa/facts/quick06.html

⁴Montana Department of Labor & Industry, Research & Analysis Bureau, Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages (QCEW) Program

Resources for Gallatin County

Chambers of Commerce

Belgrade Chamber of Commerce
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(406) 388-1616
www.belgradechamber.org

Big Sky Chamber of Commerce
P. O. Box 160100, Big Sky, MT 59716
(406) 995-3000 or (800) 943-4111
www.bigskychamber.com

Bozeman Chamber of Commerce
2000 Commerce Way
Bozeman, MT 59715
(406) 586-5421 or (800) 228-4224
www.bozemanchamber.com

Manhattan Area Chamber of Commerce
P. O. Box 606, Manhattan, MT 59741
(406) 284-4162
www.manhattanmontana.com

Three Forks Chamber of Commerce
P. O. Box 1103, Three Forks, MT 59752
(406) 285-4753
www.threeforksmontana.com

West Yellowstone Chamber of Commerce
P. O. Box 458, West Yellowstone,
MT 59758, (406) 646-7701
www.westyellowstonechamber.com

Newspapers

Belgrade News
82 North Broadway
Belgrade, MT 59714
Phone: (406) 388-5101
www.belgrade-news.com

Bozeman Daily Chronicle
P. O. Box 1190
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Big Sky, MT 59716
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www.lonepeaklookout.com

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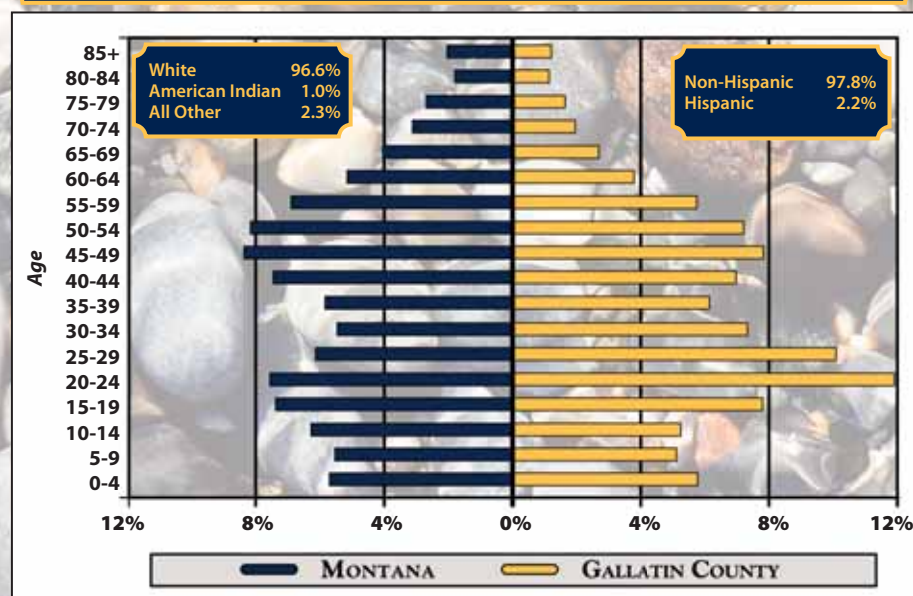
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Population for Gallatin County & Related Areas

Geography	Total Population					
	Census	Estimates				
	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
Montana	902,195	906,098	910,395	917,885	926,920	935,670
Gallatin County	67,831	69,795	71,076	73,331	75,632	78,210
Belgrade	5,728	6,284	6,580	6,832	7,046	7,033
Bozeman	27,509	28,707	29,514	30,869	32,412	33,535
Manhattan	1,396	1,417	1,420	1,452	1,484	1,465
Three Forks	1,728	1,748	1,767	1,819	1,874	1,845
West Yellowstone	1,177	1,184	1,201	1,219	1,234	1,223
Balance of Gallatin County	30,293	30,455	30,594	31,140	31,582	33,109

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Population Estimates Program

Distribution of Population by Age Montana and Gallatin County, 2005



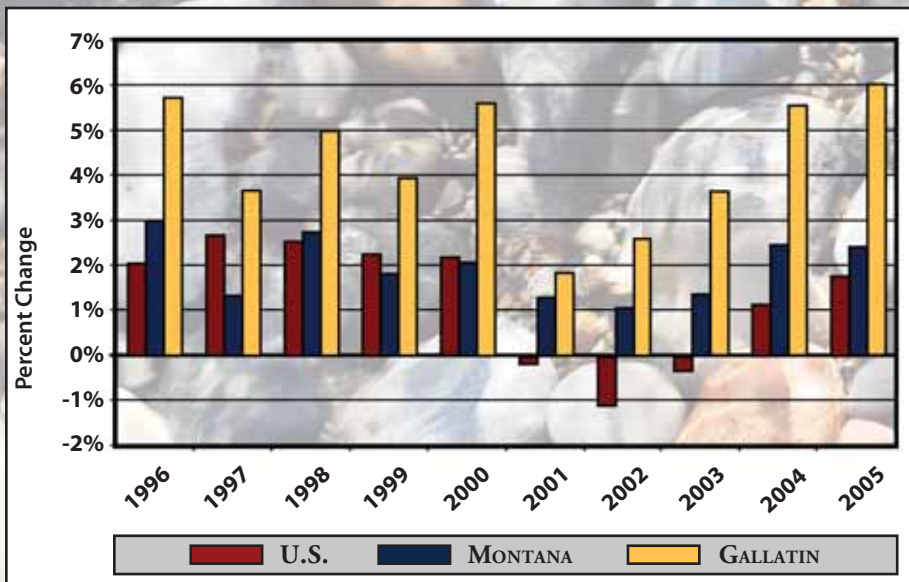
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2005 Population Estimates

Highest Level of Educational Attainment (Population 25 years and older)

Educational Attainment	Gallatin County	Montana	U.S.
Less than High School Diploma	6.7%	12.8%	19.6%
High School Diploma (or equivalent)	21.2%	31.3%	28.6%
Some College	26.0%	25.6%	21.0%
Associate Degree	5.1%	5.9%	6.3%
Bachelor's Degree	28.1%	17.2%	15.5%
Master's Degree	8.0%	4.6%	5.9%
Professional Degree	2.4%	1.7%	2.0%
Doctoral Degree	2.4%	0.9%	1.0%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Census 2000

Percent Change in Employment: 1996 to 2005 U.S., Montana, and Gallatin County



Source: Montana Department of Labor & Industry, Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages Program (QCEW)

Top 20 Private Employers in Gallatin County (Based on 2nd Quarter 2006 Data - Listed in Alphabetical Order)

Please Note: Big Sky Ski Resort and Yellowstone Club are now listed under Madison County based on worksite locations

Business Name	Size Class	Business Name	Size Class
Albertson's	6	Laidlaw Transit	6
Bozeman Daily Chronicle	6	Martel Construction	6
Bozeman Deaconess Hospital	8	Murdoch's Ranch & Home Supply	6
Community Food Co-Op	6	Ressler Chevrolet Cadillac & Toyota	6
Costco	6	RightNow Technologies	7
First Security Bank	6	Schlauch-Bottcher Construction	6
Grantree Inn	6	Simkins-Hallin Lumber	6
Home Care Services	7	Wal-Mart	7
JTL Group Inc. - Belgrade	6	Williams Plumbing & Heating	6
Kenyon Noble Lumber & Hardware	6	Zoot Enterprises	6

Employment Size Class Coding: Class 9 = 1000+ employees, Class 8 = 500 to 999 employees, Class 7 = 250 to 499 employees, Class 6 = 100 to 249 employees, Class 5 = 50 to 99 employees, Class 4 = 20 to 49 employees, Class 3 = 10 to 19 employees

Source: Montana Department of Labor & Industry, Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages Program (QCEW) This list includes ONLY private industry employers subject to unemployment insurance. Railroads and government agencies are excluded.

Agricultural Statistics - Gallatin County

Farms

Farms: (number)	1,074
Land in farms (acres)	708,728
Average size of farms (acres)	660
Farms by size: (number)	
Less than 1,000 acres	928
1,000 acres or more	146
Farms by value of products sold and government payments received: (number)	
Less than \$100,000	883
\$100,000 or more	191
Farms by type of organization: (number)	
Family, Individual, Partnership	1,000
Corporation, Cooperative, Trust	74

Livestock Inventory and Crops Harvested

Livestock and Poultry Inventory (number)	
Cattle and calves	52,350
Hogs and pigs	(D)
Sheep and lambs	5,025
Horses and ponies	4,396
Bison	185
Chickens (layers and broilers)	1,196
Crops Harvested (acres)	
Corn for grain	(D)
Corn for silage or greenchop	895
Wheat for grain, All	50,645
Winter wheat for grain	(D)
Durum wheat for grain	(D)
Spring wheat for grain	30,118
Barley for grain	37,007
Oats for grain	1,132
Sunflower seed, All	0
Soybeans for beans	0
Hay, haylage, grass silage	79,199

Operator Demographics

Primary occupation: (number)	
Farming	559
Other	515
Place of residence: (number)	
On farm operated	943
Not on farm operated	131
Years on present farm: (number)	
Less than 10 years	354
10 years or more	720
Age group: (number)	
Under 55 years	614
55 years and over	460
Average age of operators: (number)	53.5

Source: U.S. Department of Agriculture, National Agricultural Statistics Service, 2002
(D) - Not Disclosable

Employment by Industry - Annual Averages 2005 - Gallatin County

Industry	Number of Establishments	Average Annual Employment	Annual Wages Per Job
TOTAL ALL INDUSTRIES	4,666	42,121	\$28,897
TOTAL PRIVATE	4,558	35,145	\$27,513
AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY, FISHING & HUNTING	73	428	\$20,739
Crop production	22	146	\$14,437
Animal production	24	191	\$25,847
Forestry and logging	5	12	\$27,413
Fishing, hunting and trapping	4	5	\$15,822
Agriculture & forestry support	19	74	\$19,216
MINING	7	74	\$39,058
Mining, except oil and gas	2	*	*
Support activities for mining	5	*	*
UTILITIES	9	*	*
CONSTRUCTION	952	5,072	\$34,132
Construction of buildings	380	1,809	\$33,387
Heavy and civil engineering construction	51	633	\$51,335
Specialty trade contractors	521	2,631	\$30,508
MANUFACTURING	175	2,178	\$34,857
Food manufacturing	14	118	\$27,607
Beverage and tobacco product mfg	5	*	*
Textile product mills	7	97	\$20,943
Apparel manufacturing	2	*	*
Leather and allied product manufacturing	1	*	*
Wood product manufacturing	19	199	\$32,912
Paper manufacturing	1	*	*
Printing and related support activities	12	143	\$26,398
Chemical manufacturing	2	*	*
Plastics & rubber products manufacturing	5	92	\$36,198
Nonmetallic mineral product mfg	9	189	\$45,735
Primary metal manufacturing	4	41	\$19,165
Fabricated metal product manufacturing	13	48	\$22,316
Machinery manufacturing	6	61	\$42,408
Computer and electronic product mfg	14	179	\$69,548
Electrical equipment and appliance mfg	3	73	\$41,193
Transportation equipment manufacturing	7	116	\$39,349
Furniture and related product mfg	26	238	\$29,113
Miscellaneous manufacturing	27	335	\$29,251
WHOLESALE TRADE	182	1,227	\$36,102
Merchant wholesalers, durable goods	83	699	\$38,087
Merchant wholesalers, nondurable goods	50	434	\$27,487
Electronic markets & agents and brokers	50	94	\$61,118
RETAIL TRADE	528	6,711	\$23,126
Motor vehicle and parts dealers	53	705	\$39,595
Furniture and home furnishings stores	45	382	\$28,817
Electronics and appliance stores	30	176	\$27,698
Building material & garden supply stores	54	954	\$28,547
Food and beverage stores	29	934	\$18,980
Health and personal care stores	21	175	\$22,381
Gasoline stations	33	371	\$16,291
Clothing and clothing accessories stores	65	451	\$17,558
Sporting good, hobby, book, music stores	68	629	\$14,344
General merchandise stores	13	1,263	\$21,311
Miscellaneous store retailers	100	583	\$16,916
Nonstore retailers	18	89	\$31,239
TRANSPORTATION AND WAREHOUSING	96	824	\$26,658

Industry	Number of Establishments	Average Annual Employment	Annual Wages Per Job
Air transportation	13	88	\$31,381
Truck transportation	48	277	\$32,503
Transit and ground passenger transport	6	198	\$11,574
Pipeline transportation	1	*	*
Scenic and sightseeing transportation	4	10	\$25,873
Support activities for transportation	14	105	\$23,157
Postal service	2	*	*
Couriers and messengers	7	136	\$36,286
Warehousing and storage	1	*	*
INFORMATION	75	621	\$36,392
Publishing industries, except Internet	19	175	\$31,249
Motion picture, sound recording industry	16	98	\$15,750
Broadcasting, except Internet	9	111	\$28,458
Internet publishing and broadcasting	2	*	*
Telecommunications	16	111	\$52,068
ISPs, search portals, & data processing	12	108	\$56,600
Other information services	2	*	*
FINANCE AND INSURANCE	183	1,146	\$43,907
Credit intermediation & related activity	69	717	\$38,635
Securities, comm. contracts, investments	32	*	*
Insurance carriers & related activities	81	337	\$45,470
Funds, trusts, other financial vehicles	1	*	*
REAL ESTATE AND RENTAL AND LEASING	302	914	\$26,013
Real estate	263	611	\$28,942
Rental and leasing services	39	*	*
Lessors of nonfinancial intangible asset	1	*	*
PROFESSIONAL AND TECHNICAL SERVICES	613	2,487	\$48,467
MANAGEMENT OF COMPANIES AND ENTERPRISES	4	25	\$38,975
ADMINISTRATIVE AND WASTE SERVICES	220	1,145	\$20,123
Administrative and support services	215	1,098	\$19,389
Waste management and remediation service	6	47	\$37,213
EDUCATIONAL SERVICES	55	392	\$15,658
HEALTH CARE AND SOCIAL ASSISTANCE	289	3,296	\$29,548
Ambulatory health care services	189	1,188	\$42,771
Hospitals	1	*	*
Nursing and residential care facilities	16	*	*
Social assistance	84	1,041	\$12,628
ARTS, ENTERTAINMENT, AND RECREATION	120	1,281	\$19,491
Performing arts and spectator sports	39	88	\$20,140
Museums, historical sites, zoos, & parks	5	34	\$17,802
Amusements, gambling, and recreation	76	1,160	\$19,492
ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD SERVICES	346	5,782	\$13,083
Accommodation	103	1,927	\$17,529
Food services and drinking places	243	3,855	\$10,860
OTHER SERVICES	327	1,444	\$22,695
Repair and maintenance	109	451	\$29,494
Personal and laundry services	54	245	\$15,256
Membership associations & organizations	124	688	\$21,119
Private households	41	61	\$19,981
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	109	6,976	\$35,865
Local Government	55	2,493	\$31,647
State Government	19	*	*
Federal Government	35	644	\$53,303

Source: Montana Department of Labor & Industry, Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages Program (QCEW)
 * Data Not Disclosable

The QCEW program compiles data reported by all employers covered under Montana unemployment insurance.
 (Totals may not add due to nondisclosure of confidential industry data or to rounding.)